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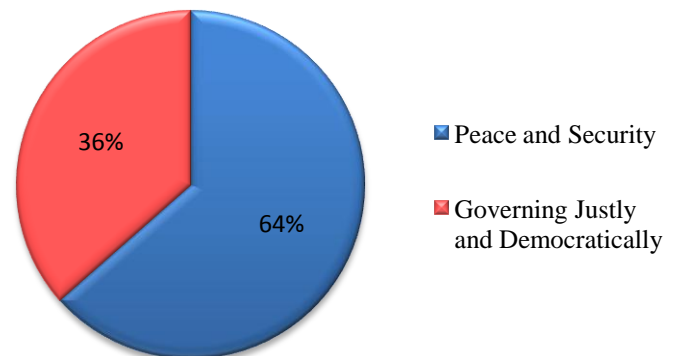
U.S. assistance to Montenegro seeks to consolidate democratic institutions, contribute to stability in the Balkans, and advance Euro-Atlantic integration. U.S. engagement in Montenegro will continue to focus on the core remaining U.S. concerns of security sector reform, supporting democratic institutions, and reducing vulnerability to corruption and organized crime.

Assistance Activities by U.S. Goals in Montenegro:

Montenegro is fully integrated into Euro-Atlantic Institutions

- The United States is providing training and equipment to help Montenegro meet the requirements in its Annual National Plan for NATO Membership, including the integration of the country's sovereign maritime, air and land space into larger NATO command structures to develop a common operational picture of the Western Balkans and Adriatic Sea, and enhanced interoperability between Macedonian forces and NATO. Training is targeted to officers, both entry-level and mid-career. U.S. funding also financed public events to allow citizens to become better informed about NATO, the requirements and responsibilities of membership, and the benefits to Montenegro.
- The United States is providing training and equipment to strengthen Montenegro's ability to control its borders, a key prerequisite for NATO and EU membership. Specifically, the U.S. government is helping Montenegro establish a more effective export control system that meets international standards, and effective border controls that interdict illicit trafficking in WMD related materials and other contraband. Additionally, the United States is assisting Montenegro to better secure or demilitarize stockpiles of excess small arms and light weapons (SA/LW) and aging, surplus munitions.

FY 2012 Foreign Operations Assistance by Objective*



BY ACCOUNT	FY 2012 ACTUAL	FY 2013 ESTIMATE	FY 2014 REQUEST
TOTAL (in thousand \$)	6,414	4,362	4,451
Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia	3,140	0	0
Economic Support Fund	0	323	335
Foreign Military Financing	1,200	1,139	1,200
International Military Education and Training	574	569	600
International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement	0	1,831	1,826
Nonproliferation, Antiterrorism, Demining and Related Programs	1,500	500	490

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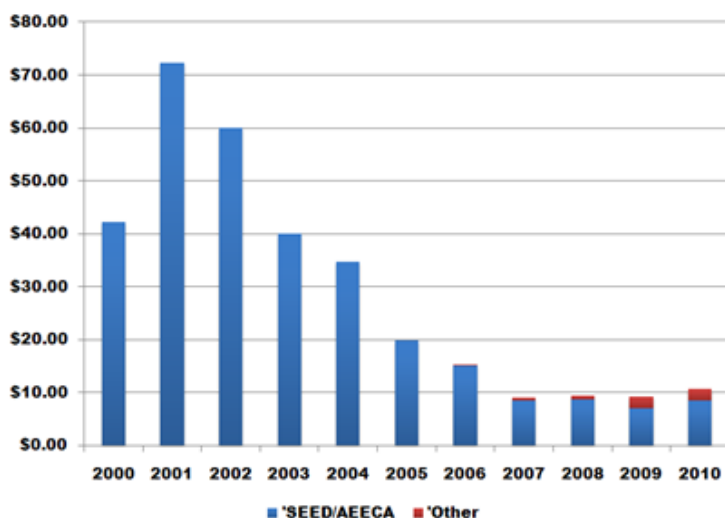
- In support of the democratic reforms required for EU accession, the United States is funding a range of activities to advance democracy in Montenegro. U.S.-funded small grants to local nongovernmental organizations are helping citizens advocate for greater government accountability and advance progress on European integration goals. U.S. government exchange programs are also helping students to obtain the skills they need to enter public service and strengthen government institutions and support economic modernization and growth.
- The United States is providing training and technical assistance to judges, prosecutors, and the defense bar in the implementation of the new Criminal Procedure Code. Furthermore, the U.S. government is supporting the Special Prosecutor and staff in implementing the Special Investigative Team, which provides new tools to combat corruption and organized crime. Targeted U.S. support for civil society will help stimulate public demand for the rule of law and engage the non-governmental sector in combating corruption and organized crime.

The Montenegrin public supports the United States, our values and policies

- The United States is providing small grants to local non-governmental organizations engaged in building the rule of law in Montenegro, through protecting the rights of working mothers, providing legal aid to the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender community and facilitating judicial reform in Montenegro. Additionally, the United States is funding consultations, lectures, seminars, training, and workshops by American experts to promote greater recognition of fundamental liberties and individual freedoms in the country. Finally, the United States is providing training, workshops, and expert advice in professional journalism and media management skills for Montenegrin journalists, as well as funding study tours for emerging Montenegrin leaders to first-hand experience of U.S. values such as volunteering, civic activism and youth participation in government.

BY OBJECTIVE	FY 2012 ACTUAL	FY 2013 ESTIMATE	FY 2014 REQUEST
TOTAL (in thousand \$)	6,414	4,362	4,451
Peace and Security	4,074	2,810	2,892
Governing Justly and Democratically	2,340	1,552	1,559

FY 2000-2010 Foreign Operations Assistance (in millions)



Montenegro is actively engaged in regional and global challenges

- Through training and technical assistance, the U.S. government is supporting Montenegro's efforts to combat organized crime and corruption by improving cooperation between prosecutors and law enforcement officers, and supporting implementation of the new Criminal Procedure Code. The United States is also providing Montenegro with advice in the reorganization of the National Police.

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[Coordinator's Office Annual Reports](#) [U.S. Embassy Website](#) www.foreignassistance.gov

*This fact sheet does not reflect Peace Corps funding or centrally managed or regional Foreign Operations funding that is not specifically budgeted for Montenegro.